# TENNESSEE FISH AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION COMMISSION MEETING October 25, 2019 Lone Oaks Farm - Middleton

#### 9 a.m.\* Chairman Kurt Holbert

- 1. Call To Order
- 2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Welcome
- 4. Roll Call
- 5. Approval of Minutes
- 6. Announcements

Special Guest: Tennessee Valley Farmers Hardin County - Appreciation of work done at White Oak WMA

Presentations/Awards: 2019 Wildlife Biologist of the Year Award – Chris Ogle, Region IV

2019 Wildlife Technician of the Year Award - Austin Bibb, Region I,

Shelby Forest WMA

Joe Benedict, Wildlife & Forestry Chief

Wildlife & Forestry Division Team Award – CWD Response Team:

Dr. Dan Grove, Chuck Yoest, James Kelly, Jeremy Denison, Daniel

Stanfield, Amy Snider, Jenifer Wisniewski, Lynn Barrett, Officers Ty Inmon,

Bubba Spencer and Sam Bedwell Joe Benedict, Wildlife & Forestry Chief

## Wildlife Committee:

Dennis Gardner, Chairman Brian McLerran, Vice Chairman James Stroud Tony Sanders Angie Box

Chuck Yoest, Wildlife Species Program Manager

1. Chronic Wasting Disease Update

Dr. David Buehler, University of Tennessee

2. Wild Turkey Project Update

## **Boating/Law Enforcement Committee:**

Brian McLerran, Chairman Tommy Woods, Vice Chairman

Connie King Dennis Gardner Hank Wright Jimmy Granbery

Lt. Col. Glenn Moates, Boating/Law Enforcement Assistant Chief

1. Rule 1660-02-07-.22 Kentucky Lake Amendment

#### **Budget Committee:**

Tony Sanders, Chairman Connie King, Vice Chairman Brian McLerran Dennis Gardner Tommy Woods Jim Ripley

## Frank Fiss, Fisheries Chief

- 1. Budget Expansion FY20 ACHIP Program (\$51,000) TVA Contribution
- 2. Budget Expansion FY20 Catoosa WMA Roof Repair (\$13,000) Wetland Funds

# Dave McKinney, Environmental Services

- 3. Budget Expansion FY20 Tallassee Fund (\$100,000) All Private Settlement Fund, No State Match
- 4. Budget Expansion FY20 White Nose Syndrome Response Program (\$55,891) All Federal Funds, No State Match
- 5. Budget Expansion FY20 Cumberland River Aquatics Center (CRAC) (\$311,324) All Federal USACE Mitigation Fund, No State Match
- Budget Expansion FY20 Cumberland River Aquatics Center (CRAC) (\$171,000)
   Propagation and Research for Listed Aquatic Species
   All Federal Funds from US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Nashville District
- 7. Budget Expansion FY19/20 Conduct Alligator Snapping Turtle Research (\$7000) Received from SEAFWA Competitive SWG Grant All Federal Funds.

#### Tim Churchill, Real Estate and Federal Aid Chief

8. Budget Expansion FY20 – Skinner Mountain Forest Conservation Easement Acquisition (\$42,000)100 percent Pittman-Robertson Funds.

# Ken Tarkington, Budget and Procurement Chief

9. Financial Report

Adjourn

\*Times subject to change.

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